HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN POLICY (HRHP)

Human Rights & Humanitarian Policy Curriculum

The Human Rights and Humanitarian Policy concentration at SIPA prepares students for careers addressing human rights issues in both the public and the private sector. It includes two focus areas while maintaining a common core curriculum. The Human Rights Policy focus area prepares students for careers requiring knowledge of corporate social responsibility, genocide prevention, gender and globalization, or rights-based development policy. The Humanitarian Policy focus area leads to careers that might focus on the management of complex emergencies, early recovery, peacekeeping and peacebuilding, aid coordination, or resource mobilization.

Many students bring substantial experience to the program, enriching the classroom dynamics. Previous graduates have pursued various careers and now work in various government agencies, the United Nations and other international organizations, NGOs, corporations, community organizations, think tanks, and service organizations.

The concentration is designed to allow flexibility for students’ specialty within Human Rights and Humanitarian Policy. However, students may also choose to focus more generally on the fields of Human Rights or Humanitarian Policy.

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The Human Rights & Humanitarian Policy (HRHP) Program requires a minimum of 15 points of graduate coursework, consisting of five three-point courses, plus a recommended additional three points for the workshop.

Required Course

INAF U6751 International Human Rights Law 3.00

Concentration Focus Area

Students must take two or more courses from either Category A: Human Rights Policy or Category B: Humanitarian Policy

Category A: Human Rights Policy Focus Area (6 Points)

Select at least two courses from the following:

INAF U6041 Corporations and Human Rights 3.00
INAF U6143 Gender, Globalization, and Human Rights 3.00
INAF U6405 Human Rights and the Politics of Inequality 3.00
INAF U6489 Human Rights Research and Reporting 3.00
INAF U8180 Human Rights Skills # Advocacy 3.00
INAF U8166 Rethinking Human Rights # Humanitarianism 3.00
INAF U8189 Politics of History and Reconciliation 3.00
HRTS GU4880 HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE UNITED STATES 3.00

Category B: Humanitarian Policy Focus Area (6 Points)

Select at least two courses from the following:

INAF U6190 Complex Emergencies: Root Causes to Rebuilding 3.00
INAF U6487 The Tenets and Dilemmas of Humanitarian Action 3.00
INAF U6490 International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law 3.00
INAF U8166 Rethinking Human Rights # Humanitarianism 3.00
INAF U8690 Managing Humanitarian Emergencies 3.00
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**Electives**

Select at least 1-2 of the following for 6 points:

### HRHP Electives:

- **INAF U4090** Accountability in Humanitarian Action 1.00
- **INAF U6141** Humanitarian Crisis Simulation 1.00
- **INAF U6151** Children # Armed Conflict 3.00
- **INAF U6486** Humanitarian Engagement with Armed Actors 1.50
- **INAF U6493** Giving Away Power: Young People # Humanitarian Practice 3.00
- **INAF U6494** Managing People in the Humanitarian Enterprise 3.00
- **INAF U6499** Human Rights and Humanitarian Policy Practicum 1.50
- **INAF U6765** The European Union and Human Rights 1.50
- **INAF U6768** Forced Displacement: Refugees, IDPs, and Others in a changing normative and political world 3.00
- **INAF U6802** International Law 3.00

### SIPA - Other Courses of Interest

- **INAF U6144** Campaigning for Change through Media, Mobilization # the Power of Persuasion 3.00
- **INAF U6202** Internet Governance and Human Rights 3.00
- **INAF U6173** Migration and Human Development 3.00
- **INAF U6348** Engaging Non-State Armed Groups: Lessons from the UN and Beyond 1.50
- **INAF U6374** Mainstreaming Gender in Global Affairs 3.00
- **INAF U6375** Gender and Livelihoods 1.50
- **INAF U6376** Transnational LGBTI Rights 1.50
- **INAF U8370** Promoting Decent Work and Labor Rights in a Globalized Economy 3.00
- **INAF U6892** Monitoring and Evaluation: Driving Evidence-Based Development and Humanitarian Aid 3.00
- **INAF U8785** Gender, Politics and Development: Theory, Policy # Practice 3.00
- **INAF U8886** Conflict Assessment 1.00

### Institute for the Study of Human Rights:

- **HRTS S4025Q** History of Human Rights 3.00
- **HRTS GU4185** HUMAN RIGHTS AND GLOBAL ECONOMIC JUSTICE 3.00
- **HRTS GU4215** NGOs # THE HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT 3.00
- **HRTS GU4270** SOCIAL MEDIA AND HUMAN RIGHTS 3.00
- **HRTS GU4460** Climate Justice 3.00
- **HRTS GU4940** Human Rights and Education 3.00
- **HRTS GU4975** Borders, Surveillance, Rights 3.00
- **HRTS GU4230** REFUGEES, FORCED MIGR # DISPLACEMENT 3.00
- **HRTS GU4270** SOCIAL MEDIA AND HUMAN RIGHTS 3.00
- **HRTS S4400Q** Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Human Rights 3.00
- **HRTS GU4500** SOCI-O ECONOMIC RIGHTS 3.00
- **HRTS GU4600** HUMAN RIGHTS IN ANTHROPOCENE 3.00
- **HRTS GU4650** CHILDREN’S RIGHTS ADVOCACY 3.00
- **HRTS GU4880** HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE UNITED STATES 3.00
- **HRTS GU4900** UN HUMAN RIGHTS BODIES: IMPACT-REFORM-ADV 4.00
- **HRTS GU4930** INT'L HUMANITARIAN LAW/HUM RGTS 4.00
- **HRTS GU4950** HUMAN RIGHTS # HUMAN WRONGS 3.00
- **HRTS GU4965** Gender-Based Violence # Human Rights 3.00
- **HRTS GS300** Economic and Social Rights in Policy and Practice 3.00
- **HRTS GR6990** HUMAN RIGHTS RESEARCH SEM 3.00

### Public Health:

- **POPF P6670** Accountability and Ethics in Humanitarian Assistance 1.50
- **POPF P8670** Health and Human Rights Advocacy 3.00
- **POPF P8620** Protection of Children in Disaster & War Emergencies 1.50
- **POPF P8625** Communicable Disease in Complex Emergencies 1.50
- **POPF P8639** Gender-based Violence in Complex Emergencies 1.50
- **POPF P8648** Food and Nutrition in Complex Emergencies 1.50
- **POPF P8651** Water and Sanitation in Complex Emergencies 1.50
- **POPF P8673** Reproductive Health in Crisis Situations 1.50
- **POPF P8679** Investigative Methods in Complex Emergencies 3.00
- **POPF P8683** Psychosocial and Mental Health Issues in Forced Migration 1.50
- **POPF P8687** Public Health and Humanitarian Action 3.00
- **POPF P9691** Lessons (Un)Learned in Humanitarian Assistance 1.50

### Law:

- **LAW L6250** Immigration Law --
- **LAW L6276** Human Rights --
- **LAW L6333** Refugee, Migration, and Citizenship Law --
- **LAW L6459** The Law of Genocide --
- **LAW L6506** Gender Justice --
- **LAW L8044** Human Rights at Home: Advancing US Social Justice --
- **LAW L8067** The Defense Of Freedom Of Expression Around The World: The Role Of The Advocate --
- **LAW L8288** Socio-Economic Rights: Theory and Practice --
- **LAW L8294** Managing Human Rights --
- **LAW L8295** Sovereignty, Human Rights, Judicial Review --
- **LAW L8816** Transnational Business & Human Rights 2.00
- **LAW L8887** September 11 and the Rights of Non-Citizens --
- **LAW L8942** International Criminal Courts: Progress, Problems and Prospects --
- **LAW L9165** Transitional Justice. 2.00
- **LAW L9183** Nuremberg Trials & War Crimes Law --
- **LAW L9383** International Humanitarian Law --
- **LAW L9410** Law and Policy of Homelessness --
- **LAW L9832** Seminar: Human Rights Reparations under Domestic & International Law --
Other:

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1. The elective courses below are suggestions only. Students may choose from elective courses not listed below that are related to their area of specialty within human rights, as long as approved by the Concentration Director (Contact information available here: https://sipa.columbia.edu/academics/concentrations/human-rights-humanitarian-policy).

2. For more detailed course information, please go to the Institute for the Study of Human Rights website at http://humanrightscolumbia.org/education/graduate/graduate-course-list.

3. For more detailed course information, please go to Mailman School of Public Health Courses website at https://www.mailman.columbia.edu/people/current-students/academics/course-directory.


Degree Audit Report

Matriculated students in this program can view their degree audit report on Stellic.